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B A P T I S M.

H Y M N I.

O UR LORD, when cloth'd with
 mortal Flesh,
 Tho' free from every sinful Stain, *1 Tim. 3. 16*
 Wou'd be Baptiz'd, that Men to *Heb. 7. 26.*
 trace
 His sacred Steps might not disdain. *Mat. 3. 15.*

Nay more—He was all plung'd in Tears, *Heb. 5. 7.*
 And bath'd in bloody Sufferings too ;
 What Fountain was requir'd to wash *Heb. 9. 22,*
 Our guilty Souls, his Wounds will shew !

Thy Blood, dear LORD, can cleanse from *1 Joh. 1. 7.*
 This in our Baptism we confess ; (Sin,
 'Tis for its cleansing Virtue we *Psal. ; 1, 2,*
 Our Prayers and Vows to thee address.

Bury'd with great Solemnity *Rom. 6. 3,*
 In thy Baptismal Sepulchre, *4, 5.*
 We are reviv'd, and rais'd again,
 White Robes of Righteousness to wear. *Rev. 19. 8.*

And, as thy Sacred Word declares,
 At the Great Resurrection-Day
Phil. 3. 21. Our Bodies shall be rais'd and chang'd,
Rev. 7. 9. And be adorn'd with bright Array.

H Y M N II.

Mat. 20. 19 **T**HE sacred Body of our L O R D,
 Which on the Cross had bled,
Mat. 12. 40 Three Days lay bury'd in the Grave,
 And then rose from the Dead.

Luk. 24. 31 His Presence the desponding Hearts
 Of his Disciples cheers:

John 20. His Voice they hear, his Scars survey,
 20 — 28. Which banish Doubts and Fears.

Luk. 24. 32 Explaining Oracles divine,
 Their Ears and Souls he charms;
 His Order to convert the World,
 Their drooping Courage warms.

For thus the Mediator spoke,
Mat. 28. 18 “ All Power in Earth and Heav'n
 “ To Me, triumphant o'er the Grave,
 “ Is by my Father giv'n.

Ver. 19. “ Go therefore teach the Nations all
Mark 15. “ What you have learn'd of Me;
 15, 16. “ Baptize 'em in the awful Name
 “ Of the Eternal Three.

“ Teach

“ Teach ’em whatever I command ; *Ver. 20.*
 “ My Presence I assure,
 “ To crown your Labours with Success,
 “ While Heaven and Earth endure.

L O R D ! we thy wondrous Grace adore,
 Thy awful Word revere ;
 Thy Death and thy Revival both *Col. 2. 12.*
 Our Baptism makes appear. *Rom. 6. 3, 4*

The Promise of thy Presence now *Mat. 18. 20*
 Does glad Expectance raise ; *Joh. 14. 18.*
 Hope of thy second Coming fills *Heb. 9. 28.*
 Our Souls with Joy and Praise : *Luk. 21. 28*

’Tis then the Dead thy Voice shall hear, *Joh. 5. 25.*
 The Dead thy Voice obey ;
 Thy Saints, who sleep in dust, awake *Dan. 12.*
 To Joy’s Eternal Day. *2, 3.*
1 Thess. 4.
14, 15, 16.

H Y M N III.

C O M E lowly Souls that mourn, *Mat. 11. 28*
 Depress’d with Guilt and Shame ; *Ch. 5. 4.*
 Wash’d in your Saviour’s sacred Blood, *Rev. 1. 5.*
 Now call upon his Name. *Act. 22. 16.*

Rejoice you contrite Hearts, *Isa. 57. 15.*
 That tremble at his Word, *Ch. 66. 2.*
 In the Baptismal Laver plung’d, *Tit. 3. 5.*
 As was your Humble L O R D. *Mat. 3. 13,*
14.

- Bath'd in Repenting Tears,
 The Sins which you deplore
1 Cor. 15. Dead in your Saviour's Grave shall lie,
 55, 56, 57. And shall be seen no more.
Gal. 5. 24.
- Rev.* 19. 8. Come pious Candidates
Ch. 3. 4. Of Grace and Glory too,
Psa. 66. 16. Praise your Redeemer's Love, and tell
 What he has done for you.
- Eph.* 5. Unspotted Robes you wear,
 26, 27. Your Sighs to Songs are turn'd ;
Isa. 61, 2, 3. Garments of Praise adorn you now,
 Who late in Ashes mourn'd.
- Col.* 3. 1, 2. Your LORD and you are risen,
Joh. 17. Aspire to things above :
 22, 23, 24. Where he resides, there you shall dwell
Rev. 22. 5. In Realms of Light and Love.
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H Y M N I V.

- Gen.* 6. 5, **W**HEN th'antient World God's Pa-
 6, 7. tience try'd,
1 Pet. 3. And long his threatning Vengeance dar'd,
 19, 20. The Righteous *Noah* Favour found,
Gen. 6. 8, 9. His Family alone was spar'd.
- Ch.* 7. In secret Chambers of the Ark
 11—24. They all secure from Danger lie,
 When th' Ocean's Banks were broke, and
 Floods
 Burst through the Windows of the Sky.
 Proud

Proud Waters o'er the Mountains roll, *Ver. 19.*
 And common Ruin widely spread ;
 Yet the bless'd Patriarch's House survives, *Ver. 23.*
 When all Mankind beside were dead.

At the Almighty's awful Word *Ch. 8.*
 Th' obsequious Floods retire again ;
 And *Noah* from his mystick Tomb
 Peoples the ruin'd Earth with Men. *Ch. 9. 1.*

So to restore a World o'erwhelm'd *1 Pet. 3. 21.*
 With Guilt and Misery, dead in Sins, *Eph. 2. 1, 2.*
 Our SAVIOUR rising from the Grave, *Rom. 5. 24.*
 Another Race of Men begins ; *Col. 3. 10.*

New Creatures of a Heavenly Form, *2 Cor. 5. 17.*
 Whose Souls his Sacred Image bear ; *Ch. 3. 18.*
 While dead to Sin, they live to God, *Rom. 6. 11,*
 And spotless in white Robes appear. *12.*

Bury'd in their Redeemer's Grave, *Rev. 3. 5.*
 With Him they live, with Him they rise ; *Rom. 6. 3.*
 While the lost Race of Human Kind *1 Joh. 5. 12*
 Delug'd with Sin and Ruin lies. *Ver. 19.*
Mat. 24.

O Happy Souls whom Grace revives ! *28, 29.*
 Their Bodies too their LORD will raise, *Philip. 3.*
 Refin'd and fit for Holy Souls, *20, 21.*
 To see his Face, and sing his Praise. *1 Joh. 3. 2.*

Rev. 5. 9,
10.

H Y M N V.

Mat. 3. 13. **T**HUS was the Great Redeemer plung'd
 In *Jordan's* swelling Flood ;
Heb. 5. 7. To shew he'd one day be baptiz'd
Luk. 22. 44 In Tears, in Sweat, and Blood.

Thus was his Sacred Body laid
Col. 2. 12. Beneath the yielding Wave ;
 Thus was his Sacred Body rais'd
 Out of the liquid Grave.

When lo ! from Realms of Light and Bliss
Mat. 3. 16. The Heavenly Dove comes down,
 Lights on his venerable Head,
 Which Rays of Glory crown.

While his Eternal Father's Voice
Ver. 17. An awful Joy excites ;
 " This is my well-beloved Son,
 " In whom my Soul delights.

Rom. 6. 3, The mystick Rite his Death describ'd,
 4, &c. His Burial did foreshew
 The quickening of his Sacred Flesh,
 His Resurrection too.

Mat. 28. 19 L O R D, thy own Precept we obey,
Mat. 3. 15. In thy own Footsteps tread,
Col. 3. 1, 2. We die, are bury'd, rise with Thee
 From Regions of the Dead.

Feb. 14. 17.

Eph. 4. 3c.

HYMN VI.

Joh. 19. 34,

35.

I Joh. 1.7.

Mic. 7. 19.

I Joh. 5. 6.

Mat. 27.51

Tit. 3. 5.

Heb. 9. 22.

AE.22.16.

Mark 1. 9.

Mat. 3. 15,

15.

Col. 2. 12.

Rom. 6. 4,

5, &c.

Luk. 14. 14

I Cor. 15.

42, 43, ~~44~~

Made

Phil. 3. 21. Made like his Body ours shall be,
Col. 3. 4. When Christ, who is our Life, appears ;
Luk. 12. 50 Who to procure us Life, was once
Mar. 10. 38 Baptiz'd in his own Blood and Tears.

H Y M N VII.

Exod. 14. **W**HEN from *Egyptian* Slavery
 The *Hebrews* were redeem'd,
 The parted Seas and covering Cloud
 A Grave to *Israel* seem'd :

But soon the joyful Tribes emerge,
 And stand upon the shore,
Exod. 15. With grateful Hearts and tuneful Tongues
 Their Saviour's Name adore.

Exod. 14. He made th' obsequious Waves retire,
 16. His Favourite Tribes to save ;
Exo. 26, 27, Made them a way to Liberty,
 28, &c. Where *Egypt* found a Grave.

1 Cor. 10. Thus *Jacob's* Sons baptiz'd of old
 1, 2. To *Moses* in the Sea,
Exo. 20. 2. Sav'd by God's Arm, themselves devote
Ch. 19. His Statutes to obey.

4 — 9.

Rom. 6. So from the Bondage of our Sins,
 11 — 18. Redeem'd by Sovereign Grace,
Mat. 3. 13, We thro his watry Sepulchre
 14. Our Saviour's Footsteps trace.

Our Sins, the worst of Enemies,
 Are bury'd there and drown'd ; *Col. 3. 5.*
 To a new Life our Souls are rais'd, *Gal. 2. 20.*
 With tender Mercy crown'd. *Col. 2. 13.*

To thee, O Jesus, may we live, *Rom. 14.*
 Devoted to thy Fear ; *7, 8, 9.*
 Thee will we love, Thee will we praise, *1 Joh. 5. 1,*
 And all thy Laws revere. *2, 3.*

H Y M N VIII.

THE Great Redeemer we adore,
 Who came the Lost to seek and save ; *Luk. 19. 10*
 Went humbly down from *Jordan's* Shore, *Mat. 3. 13.*
 To find a Tomb beneath a Wave.

“ Thus it becomes us to fulfil *Ver. 13.*
 “ All Righteousness, he meekly said :
 Why shou'd we then to do his Will
 Or be asham'd, or be afraid ?

With Thee into thy watry Tomb,
 LORD, 'tis our Glory to descend ;
 'Tis wondrous Grace that gives us room *Rom. 6. 3,*
 To lie inter'd by such a Friend ! *4, &c.*

But a much more tempestuous Flood
 O'erwhelm'd thy Body and thy Soul ; *Heb. 5. 7.*
 That's plung'd in Tears, and Sweat, and *Luk. 22. 44.*
 Blood, *Mat. 26. 38*
 And over *this* black Terrors roll. *Ch. 27. 46,*
 Yet 47.

Yet as the yielding Waves give way,
To let us see the Light again :
So on thy Resurrection-Day

Acts 2. 24. The Bands of Death prov'd weak and vain.

1 Cor. 15. Thus when Thou shalt again appear,
52, 53. The Gates of Death shall open wide ;
Joh. 5. 25. Our Dust thy powerful Voice shall hear,
Shall rise and triumph at thy side.

These now vile Bodies then shall wear
Mat. 17. 2. A glorious Form resembling Thine ;
Rev. 20. 14 To be dissolv'd no more shall fear,
Ch. 22. 3, 4. But with immortal Beauty shine.

H Y M N IX.

Joh. 5. 2, 3, 4. **W**HEN fam'd *Bethesda's* Waters flow'd,
By a descending Angel mov'd ;
The wondrous Pool a sovereign Bath
For every Pain and Sickness prov'd.

Hither distemper'd Crouds repair,
Hither the Feeble, Lame, and Blind ;
The first who steps into the Spring,
Leaves his Disease and Pains behind.

That languishing and dying Souls
A nobler Cure might freely meet,
The Son of God came down and stir'd
Mat. 3. 13, 14. Baptismal Waters with his feet.

L O R D,

L O R D, 'tis but just we follow Thee, *1 Pet. 2. 21.*
 Who didst not scorn to lead the way,
 Where we just see the Vale of Death, *Rom. 6. 3,*
 Then view the Resurrection-Day. *4, &c.*

Happy ! who haste into the Flood *John 5. 7.*
 Where healing Virtues ever flow,
 Where filthy Lepers clean are made, *Isa. 53. 4.*
 The Blind to see, the Lame to go ; *Mat. 8. 16,*
17.

Where contrite Spirits heal their Wounds, *Isa. 61. 1.*
 And broken Hearts assuage their Pain ; *Ch. 57. 15.*
 The Dead themselves new Life inspires, *Joh. 5. 25.*
 They breathe, they move, and rise again. *Col. 3. 1.*

With lowly Minds, and lofty Songs,
 Let all admire the S A V I O U R's Grace,
 Till the great Rising-Day reveal *1 Joh. 3. 2.*
 Th' immortal Glory of his Face. *Rev. 1. 16.*

H Y M N X.

I N such a Grave as this *Mat. 3. 13.*
 The meek Redeemer lay,
 When He, our Souls to seek and save, *Luk. 19. 10*
 Learn'd humbly to obey.

See how the Spotless Lamb *1 Pet. 1. 19.*
 Descends into the Stream !
 And teaches Sinners not to scorn
 What Him so well became. *Mat. 3. 15.*

His

Rom. 6. 3, His Body sanctifies
 4, 5. The salutary Flood,
Act. 22. 16. And teaches us to plunge our Souls
Rev. 7. 14. I'th' Fountain of his Blood.

Oh! Sinners, wash away
Isa. 1. 18. Your Sins of Crimson Dye ;
Col. 2. 12. Bury'd with him, your Sins shall all
 In dark Oblivion lie.

Col. 3. 1, 2. Rise, and ascend with Him,
 A Heavenly Life to lead,
Heb. 2. 14, Who came to rescue guilty Men
 15. From Regions of the Dead.

Isa. 38. 5. L O R D, see the Sinner's Tears,
 Hear his Repenting Cry ;
Isa. 57. 15. Speak, and his Contrite Soul shall live ;
Gal. 5. 24. Speak, and his Sins shall die :

Speak with that mighty Voice,
Joh. 5. 25. Which one day wide shall spread
Rev. 20. Its Summons thro the Earth and Sea,
 13. To wake and raise the Dead.

H Y M N XI.

Col. 2. 12. S E E in what Grave our Saviour lay,
 Before he shed his precious Blood ;
Mat. 3. 13, How he mark'd out the humble way
 14. To Sinners thro the mystick Flood,

The Sun of Righteousness his Beams, *Mal. 4. 2.*
 Tho so divinely fair and bright,
 Immers'd in *Jordan's* swelling Streams,
 Submitting to this Holy Rite.

O *Jordan!* honour'd oft before!
 What greater Glory would'st thou have,
 Than CHRIST descending from thy
 To find in thee a liquid Grave? [Shore,

Thy Streams retir'd on either side, *Josh. 3.*
 To th' Holy Ark once form'd a Way;
 A Prophet's Mantle could divide *2King. 2. 8.*
 Thy willing Streams, taught to obey.

Plung'd by the Holy Baptist's Hand,
 Buried in thee our SAVIOUR lies:
 Did not thy Waters wondring stand, *Psal. 114.*
 To see Him die, and see Him rise? *5.*

Blest Sepulchre! where JESUS lay,
 Which JESUS for us sanctifies!
 Blest Flood! to wash our Sins away, *Aff. 22. 16.*
 And sink 'em so as ne'er to rise. *Ch. 2. 38.*

H Y M N XII.

W Hene'er one Sinner turns to God,
 With contrite Heart and flowing
 [Eyes,
 The happy News makes Angels smile, *Luke 1. 57.*
 And tell their Joys above the Skies. *V. 10.*
 Well

Well may the Church below rejoice,
And eccho back the Heavenly Sound:

Luke 15. " This Soul was dead, but now's alive;
32. " This Sheep was lost, but now is found.

Mat. 15. See how the willing Converts trace
3. The Path their great Redeemer trod;
And follow through his liquid Grave,

Mat. 11. The meek, the lowly Son of God.

29.

Tit. 3. 5. Here in the Holy Laver plung'd,
Their Souls are cleans'd from every Stain;

Gal. 2. 19. They die, descend into the Tomb,

Col. 3. 1, 2. By Grace they live, and rise again.

AÆ 19. 18. Here they renounce their former Deeds,

Rom. 6. 3. And to a Heavenly Life aspire:

Zech. 3. 3. Their Rags for glorious Robes exchang'd,

Rev. 3. 5. They shine in clean and white Attire.

Ch. 19. 8.

O Sacred Rite! by this the Name

AÆ. 19. 5. Of J E S U S we to own begin;

1 Pet. 3. 21 This is our Resurrection's Pledg,

AÆ. 2. 38. And seals the Pardon of our Sin.

Luk. 2. 14. Glory to God on high be giv'n,
Who shews this Grace to sinful Men:

Rev. 7. Let Saints on Earth, and Hosts of Heav'n,

9—12. In Consort joyn their loud *A M E N.*

F I N I S.







